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EARNEST BASIL WILLIAMS OF INDIANA AND MICHIGAN, 1887-1982

Research by Carolyn L. Griffin, Ypsilanti, Michigan

My husband, Earnest Ellsworth Griffin was named for his two grandfathers. His paternal grandfather, Elmer Ellsworth Griffin, was born in 1865 in Ovid, Branch County, Michigan, the son of William and Mary P. Hyzer Griffin. He was named for the first Union casualty in the Civil War, Elmer Ellsworth. On the maternal side my husband is descended from Earnest Basil Williams.

Earnest Basil Williams was born 14 September 1887 in Kokomo, Howard County, Indiana. He was the son of Henry Milton Williams (7 Sep. 1856 - 3 Apr. 1927) and Mary Catherine Lawrence Williams (23 Feb. 1860 - 9 Apr. 1927). His parents died at the University of Michigan Hospital, Ann Arbor, Washtenaw County, Michigan, and were buried with the family in Kokomo. His paternal grandparents were John Allen Williams (1833 - 1914) and Martha J. Chambers (1838 - 1902). His maternal grandparents were John Showalter Lawrence (1830 - 1916) and Margaret J. Chitwood (1836 - 1888).

Earnest had two sisters: Edna J. born September 1882 and Elsie C. born January 1890. The 1900 census of Center Township, Howard County, Indiana, listed Henry Williams, 42, Katharine M., 39, Edna J., 17, Ernest B., 12, and Elsie C., 10. Henry and Mary had been married 19 years and had five children, only three of whom were still living.

Earnest grew up in Kokomo, but his parents later moved to Wexford County, Michigan. After his high school graduation in 1905 he reluctantly moved to the farm in Wexford. The 1910 census enumerated him with his parents and sister Elsie. This census disputed the 1900 census of Indiana, as at this time Henry reported four children, three of whom were living. Howard County birth records showed only Earnest's birth and a male and female both without names.

In Mesick, Wexford County, he met and married Harriett (Hattie) Frances Richmond on 18 April 1913. She was born 3 July 1898 in Mesick and was the daughter of Nelson Henry Richmond (3 Sep. 1860 - 21 July 1941) and Elvira Winogene Benson (18 Apr. 1873 - 21 May 1948). There were four children born to Earnest and Harriett in Mesick; Neal Henry born 25 August 1914, Margery Marie born 4 January 1917, Robert Allen born in 1919, and Edna Irene born 26 August 1920.

Harriett died of myocarditis and food poisoning on 15 September 1921. Robert died of bronchopneumonia on 2 April 1926 in Ypsilanti, and Edna died of myocarditis on 19 May 1926, aged 5 years, 9 months and nineteen days. They were buried in Mesick at the West Springville Cemetery.

On 30 June 1924, Earnest married Harriett's younger sister Juanita Arvilla Richmond who was born 30 April 1900. The family moved to Ypsilanti between 1923 and 1924 and six

children were born: Mary Ruth born 13 December 1927, Wilma Elvira born 5 September 1929 Beverly Jane born 4 October 1930, Dean Rex born 26 September 1933 and died 1936, Donna May born 27 September 1934, and Jessie Marie on 29 January 1940.

Earnest first worked for Uncle Meyer, the husband of his sister Edna. The family moved several times and lived on Stoney Creek Road, Bemis Road, St. John's Street, Adams Street, and Michigan Avenue in Ypsilanti. Later in 1938 they lived in Whittaker, Michigan. He later worked for Central Specialty where he retired in 1956 at the age of 68.

The family would always gather at their home in Whittaker at Thanksgiving for a combined Thanksgiving/Christmas celebration. The rooms would be filled with tables full of food, adults and children squeezed into two big rooms, and a Christmas tree full of presents. It was a wonderful time of family sharing and pictures before they left to go to Florida.

Juanita tragically died in an auto accident on 7 November 1968 in Dade City, Pasco County, Florida. Neal Henry Williams, who had married Mary Lou Jewel and had three children Sherry Lee born 18 November 1948, Michael David born 20 May 1950, and Patricia Lynn born 2 September 1951, died 6 June 1982. Jaunita and Neal were buried in Udell Cemetery in Ypsilanti.

Margery married Fred Griffin (5 Aug. 1911 - 18 Jan. 1980) on 16 September 1929 in Whittaker. They made their home in Ypsilanti and had four sons; Glen Richard born 6 May 1942, Earnest Ellsworth born 11 January 1944, Ted Eugene born 3 July 1948 and Gene Leslie born 8 December 1949.

Mary Williams married Lester Kenneth McFall (born 6 Aug. 1917) on 5 September 1946. They had two children: Leslie Kay born 15 December 1950 and Henry Alan born 10 December 1952. They resided in Ypsilanti.

Wilma Williams married Howard H. Stoddard (born 19 Jan. 1926) on 4 October 1947. They had six children: Thomas Lee born 17 June 1948, George Alan born 12 July 1949, Tod Daniel born 12 February 1951, Douglas Martin born 14 April 1952, Bruce Howard born 15 March 1954 and Jane Juanita born 21 April 1955. The family grew up in Whittaker and later Wilma and Howard moved to Newport, Michigan.

Beverly Jane Williams married Austin Eugene Herig (born 4 June 1930) on 10 July 1954 in Whittaker. Their children were: Timothy Lee born 5 June 1955, Daniel Eugene born 4 October 1957, Barbara Ann Jane born 3 March 1960 and Colleen Katherine born 27 January 1964. They had their home in Warren, Michigan.

Donna May Williams married James Walter Yoder (born 19 Dec. 1931) on 19 February 1955. They had three children: Toni Lynn born 13 August 1956, Robert Eugene born 23 May 1961, and Joy Marie born 26 May 1964. They made their home in Sarasota, Florida.

The youngest child Jessie Marie Williams married Raymond Hammond (born 30 June 1938). They had two children: Mark Alan born 17 November 1959 and Faye Christina born 15 January 1960. They continue to live in Whittaker.

To celebrate Earnest Williams' 95th birthday, family and friends gathered in Whittaker. We had food, cakes and a happy picture-taking-opportunity for the family. He even received congratulations from President Ronald Reagan.

Earnest died 18 December 1982 at Beyer Hospital in Ypsilanti. He was living on Talladay Road in Whittaker at the time of his death. Rev. Howard M. .Montgomery of the Lincoln Community United Methodist Church conducted the funeral service and he was buried at Udell Cemetery in Ypsilanti. He had 25 grandchildren and 33 great-grandchildren at the time of his death.

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STRAYS

Ann Arbor Argus, 28 Nov. 1890.

Warren F. Mills, who recently graduated in both the literary and the law departments, and was married here last summer, died in San Francisco recently. ...

Miss Cora Draper, daughter of S. Draper of Ypsilanti was married at the First Baptist chruch in Ypsilanti by Rev. J.L. Cheney, to Charles L. Cottrell of Minneapolis, Tuesday noon. Mr. and Mrs. Cottrell left on the afternoon train for their new home in Minneapolis.

Chris. Mathews, formerly of this city, and a model fireman, more recently employed in the machine shops in Owosso, has been married to Miss Bessie Morris of that city.

Dr. Scott, President of Rutgers. Dr. Austin Scott, a son of J. Austin Scott, of this city, was elected president of Rutgers College last Monday. Rutgers is situated at New Brunswick, New Jersey, and is the denominational college of the Dutch Reformed Church. It is one of the old colleges of the country and its standard of instruction has always been very high. Dr. Scott graduated from Yale in the class of '69 and took his M.A. degree in Michigan University in 1870. For two years he was instructor in Modern Language in this University. Afterwards he was a lecturer in Johns Hopkins University. For six years he was with the celebrated historian George Bancroft engaged in historical writings. For the past seven years he has been professor of history and constitutional law in Rutgers College.

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IN MEMORIAM

EUNICE M. BRAKE

18 FEBRUARY 1906 - 30 MAY 1997

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KATHERINE RUSSEL GODDARD: *REMEMBERING MY LIFE*

Marcia McCrary, Ypsilanti, Michigan

From my friend, Sheridan Sutler, at the Cross Street Book Store in Ypsilanti, I picked up a copy of Katherine Russel Goddard's *Remembering My Life.* The book was initiated by her daughter, U of M Regent Sarah Goddard Powers, who sought help from Louise Tilly of the history department at the U of M and Ruth Bordin of the Bentley Library to capture her mother's remembrances. Marjorie Rabe Barritt was the person selected to interview Mrs. Goddard, and the book is in the form of brief questions, with extended answers.

The book was particularly interesting to me because Mrs. Goddard grew up in Detroit. Her family lived in Indian Village from 1917 to 1923, around the same time when the Gotfredson families (of truck research fame!), were there.

Katherine Russel was born 1 May 1904 to John Ross Russel (1857-1932) and Katherine Russel Shearer (1867/68-1904). Her mother died six months after Katherine was born. She fell down an elevator shaft. Her father's parents were Dr. George Black Russel (-1903) and Ann(e) Eliza Davenport (-1888). Dr. Russel came to Detroit in 1837 as a medical doctor. His parents were Francis Russel (1783-) and Margaret Whiteside (1783-) One of Dr. Russel's brothers was Abram Whiteside Russel, the father of Katherine Russel who married Frederich Eichelberger Shearer. These last two were the parents of Katherine Russel Goddard's mother.

Besides the direct genealogy, Mrs. Goddard discuses all 18 of her first cousins, and other relatives. Almost all her life, she lived within walking distance of various and assorted kin.

Among the fascinating parts of the book are Mrs. Goddard's stories of life at Huron Mountain, an exclusive sportsman's club outside Marquette, Michigan, where the family went every summer starting in 1906.

Henry and Clara Ford were also members. Another highlight is her description of life at Vassar, from which she graduated in 1927.

She married Wendall Goddard on 25 June 1931. Wendall's parents were William Henry Goddard (1861-1925) and Edith Hart (1861-1931). His parents were married 30 July 1890.

The book was published in 1988, but has no mention of a publisher. My copy was signed by Mrs. Goddard, and is inscribed by her "to Sadye and Lew, with my love, Kitty."

Mrs. Goddard moved to Ann Arbor about 1979, after her husband passed away in 1972, and lived in an apartment on the Huron River. She later moved to Glacier Hills.

If any of you would like to borrow this book, I would be happy to loan it.

COMSTOCK OR KELLY/GRAVES FARM CEMETERY YPSILANTI TOWNSHIP, WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN

Marti Carr, Ypsilanti, Michigan
and Karen Walker, Canton, Michigan

At the Genealogical Society of Washtenaw County meeting on May 18, 1997, John Colsell asked if the Comstock Cemetery was included in our newly revised Cemetery Directory. Since we had not heard of this cemetery, it had not been included. John is interested in this cemetery because he is descended from the Reynolds family which is buried there.

On Tuesday evening May 20, 1997, we went with John to find the cemetery. There is no public access, but a neighbor directed us to it from his property. This abandoned cemetery is situated in the northeast quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 28. It is approximately 400 yards west of Whittaker Road,.4 of a mile north of Merritt Road. It is in a grove of lilac bushes.

Three stones were immediately visible. With a probe we discovered five buried stones and one broken piece of a stone with a verse. (Sometimes very old stones break due to the effects of weather, tree roots or vandals and they fall to the ground. Over time dirt, grass and/or weeds cover them.)

At the Ypsilanti Historical Archives we found a previous reading and correspondence. In instances where there is a discrepancy in dates between the readings, please refer to our document. Extra efforts were taken to decipher information and we are certain of the accuracy of our data.

The 1980 correspondence of Mr. Foster L. Fletcher, previous Ypsilanti City Historian, states that Lyman Graves owned the farm and that Sarah Gorton, whose family lived in section 28, married Edwin Miller Comstock. Another memo mentions these names: Sarah (Dix) Steers, William Steers, ? Tunis, and also Anna Grossenbacher Kohli (Kelly) Steinbach, John Peter Kohli and John C. Steinbach.

The correspondence and a map which we made showing the locations of the stones are included with the transcription which is now in our society library in the notebook of the Ypsilanti cemetery transcriptions.

We wish to thank John Colsell for bringing this cemetery to our attention and helping with the reading. We also wish to thank Doris Milliman, Ypsilanti Historian, for her assistance.

INFORMATION ON STONES
..Comments

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1. Eliza Ann,
   Wife of
   Garret VAN SLYKE
   Died May 4 , 1847
   Aged 40 yrs. 1 mo
   & 12 Days
   .. stone standing
   Footstone: E.A.V.S.

2. Perry,
   son of
   H. & S. McCarty
   Died June 6, 1846
   Aged 5 Yrs. 10 ms.
   & 14 Ds.
   ..stone standing
   Footstone: P.McC.

3. Square Base

4. In memory of
   Larissa Eugenia
   daughter of
   Stephen & Mary MEAD
   who died July 15, 1838
   aged 1 year
   Erected Apr 24, 1839
   ..this stone was buried

5. James R.
   son of
   R. & S. REYNOLDS
   Died Jan. 31, 1844
   aged 3 Yrs. &
   6 months.
   .. this stone was buried

6. Sarah
   daughter of
   R. & S. REYNOLDS
   Died Dec. 26, 1842
   Aged 15 yrs.
   .. this stone was buried

INFORMATION ON STONES
..Comments

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7. At Rest
   (Robert REYNOLDS
   Born Apr. 17, 1803
   Died Nov. 1, 1878
   (Sarah
   wife of
   R. REYNOLDS
   Born Oct. 12, 1802
   Died Oct. 12, 1870
   .. stone leaning against base

8. Base Only

9. Base Only
   ..stone cutter - J.E. Ryan Wayne

10. Sarah
    wife of
    William STEERS sen,r
    Died March 26, 1850
    Aged 65 years
    2 mo's, & 14 d's.
    .. this stone was buried

11. Charles A.
    Son of
    E.M. & S. COMSTOCK
    Died Sept. 21, 1849
    AE. 1 Yr. & 10 ds.
    .. this stone was buried
    Footstone: C.A.C.

12. ..Broken stone piece with part of a verse
    When will the morning break
    Mother on us
    Then from the rest we take
    wakens our dust
    Then at thy side a saved band
    no more to part thy children

    Brightly that morn will glow
    Mother in heaven

13. Footstone: N. K.

LIBRARY REPORT

Compiled by Barbara Snow

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IN MEMORIAM

KATHERINE BIRD KEENE DOW

19 JUNE 1908 - 7 MAY 1997

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WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN, CIRCUIT COURT NATURALIZATIONS, 17 December 1906 - 5 February 1910

Abstracted by Nancy H. Krohn

(Continued from vol. 20. no. 3 p. 58)

22. GOTTLOB KILGUS, Augusta Twp., P.O. Whitaker. Farmer b 19 Feb. 1843 Steinenbronn, Wuerttemberg, Germany. Em. from Bremen 14 Mar. 1869 arr. New York on *Deutschland.* Decl. 19 Mar. 1874 at CC of WC. Wife Kate Bohnet Kilgus b Wahldach, Wuerttemberg. Three ch: Christian b 12 Oct. 1874 Augusta Twp.; Herman b 3 Oct. 1876 Augusta Twp. res. in Ypsilanti Twp.; Amalia b 14 Feb. 1883 Augusta Twp. res. in York Twp. Res. continuously in State of Mich. since 21 Mar. 1869. Wits: John Lawson, Reg. of Deeds & Samuel S. Bibbins, Dep. Reg. of Deeds, both Ann Arbor. 11 Dec. 1908. Admitted 3 June 1909.

23. LUDWIG HANSELMAN, Lima Twp. P.O. Dexter, R.R. #4. Farmer b 3 Apr. 1859 Steinenbronn, Wuerttemberg. Em. from Antwerp 10 July 1879 arr. at Philadelphia, Pa., on [*don't recollect*]. *D*ecl. 28 May 1884. at Howell at CC of Livingston Co., Mich. Wife Louise Hanselman nee Mack b Plattenhardt, Wuerttemberg. Thirteen ch: Matilda Katharine ? b 13 May 1887 Hamburg Twp.; John Frederick b 28 Feb. 1889 Simfield, Eaton Co.; Amalie Barbara b 9 May 1891 Simfield; Jacob Ludwig b 2 Oct. 1893 Simfield; Herman Ernst b 28 Jan. 1896 Dexter; Helene Mollete b 9 May 1897 Dexter; Elsie Dorothea b 30 Nov. 1898 Dexter; Clara Bertha b 18 Jan. 1901 Dexter; Ludwig Christopher b 17 Mar. 1903 Webster; Bertha Clara b 20 Feb. 1905 Webster; Freda & Ida b 14 Mar ? 1908 Webster. All reside at home in Webster Twp. [*Note*: *one illegible name appears above John Frederick.*] Res. continuously in the U.S. since 26 July 1879 and in the State of Mich. since 28 July 1879. Wits: George E. Apfel, clothing merchant & Fred Brown, saloonkeeper, both Ann Arbor. 31 Dec. 1908. Admitted 3 June 1909.

24. ALLEN WESLEY EMBURY, North St., Chelsea, Mich. Laborer b 1 July 1868 Moncton, Canada. Em. from Windsor 9 Sep. 1892 arr. at Detroit on *Canada Pacific. D*ecl. 8 Oct. 1902 at CC of WC. Wife Jennie Genevieve Embury nee Covert b Lima Twp. Five ch: Frank Biard b 27 May 1896 Lima Twp.; Florence May b 12 Aug. 1898 Scio Twp.; Gracie Edith b 12 Feb. 1900; Lois Dorothy b 10 Mar. 1905 Chelsea; Frederick Covert b 6 Aug. 1908. All at home in Chelsea. Wits: Theodore F. Covert, farmer & Edward J. Parker, farmer, both Lima Twp. 2 Jan. 1909. Admitted: 4 Oct. 1909.

25. WILLIAM FREDERICK WEBER, Lodi Twp., P.O. Ann Arbor R.R. #4. Farmer b 3 June 1862 at Kirchentellenfurth, Wuerttemberg. Em. from Bremen 18 Mar. 1887 arr. at New York on *Elbe*. Decl. 26 Dec. 1888 at CC of WC. Wife Maria Katharine Weber nee Knapp b Schonhausen, Wuerttemberg. Four ch: Malene b 7 Sep. 1893 Lodi; Alfred Jacob 28 Jan. 1895 Lodi; William Christian b 11 Aug. 1896 Lodi; Erwin Ludwig William b 26 Feb. 1905 Lodi. All at home in Lodi. Res. continuously in the U.S. since 1 Apr. 1887 and in the State of Mich. since 3 Apr. 1887. Wits: Eugene J. Helber, Publisher & Eugene Oesterlin, Insurance Agent, both Ann Arbor. 9 Jan. 1909. Admitted 3 June 1909.

26. JOHN GEORGE HERTLER, York Twp. P.O. Saline, R.R. #5. Farmer b 13 Feb. 1845 Obersieliningen, Stuttgart, Wuerttemberg. Em. Hamburg 27 June 1865 arr. at New York on *Saxonia.* Decl. 29 Apr. 1876 at CC of WC. Wife Mary Lutz Hertler b Kirchtellenfurth, Wuerttemberg. Thirteen ch: Gottlob b 29 Sep. 1875; George b 22 Sep. 1876; Lydia b 13 May 1878; Katharine b 24 Aug. 1879; Frederich b 16 ? Mar. 1881; Emma b 13 Mar. 1882; Amanda Harwood & Mary b 28 May 1883; Herman b 19 Mar. 1885; Bertha b 22 July 1886; Julius b 29 July 1888; Lilly b 26 Mar. 1889; Rudolph b 7 Dec. 1894. All born York Twp. Res. continuously in the U.S. since 10 July 1865 and in the State of Mich. since 14 July 1865. Wits: Eugene Oesterlin, Notary Public & Charles Zuerin, butcher, both Ann Arbor. 12 Mar. 1909. Judge: Petition denied because witness Charles Zuerin is not a citizen. 4 Oct. 1909. [*See # 40.*]

27. JOHN HINDERER, Saline Twp. P.O. Saline, R.R. #2. Farmer b 19 Jan. 1870 Pfahlborn, Wuerttemberg. Em. Bremen 17 Jan. 1886 arr. at New York on *E--s.* Decl. 9 Dec. 1891 at CC of WC. Not married. Res. continuously in the U.S. since 26 Jan. 1886 and in the State of Mich. since 28 Jan. 1886. Wits: William Weber, farmer, Lodi Twp. & John G. Koch, ret'd farmer, Ann Arbor. 20 Mar. 1909. Admitted 4 Oct. 1909.

28. GUSTAV KOLANDER, Northfield Twp. Farmer b 27 Oct. 1864 Hohenwalde, West Prussia. Em. Hamburg 11 Nov. 1889 arr. at Philadelphia on *Red Star*. Decl. 30 Mar. 1894 at CC of WC. Wife Hulda Gerstler b Hohenwalde, West Prussia. Seven ch: Herman b 7 Sep. 1891 Lima Twp.; Elmer b 28 May 1893 Lima Twp.; Emil b 28 Aug. 1895 Northfield.; Mata Minerva b 31 July 1897 Northfield; Henry b 5 Jan. 1900 Northfield; William b 25 Jan. 1905 Northfield; Edna b 7 Sep. 1908 Northfield; all res. at home in Northfield Twp. Res. continuously in the U.S. since 1 Dec. 1889 and in the State of Mich. since 3 Dec. 1889. Wits: Emory. E. Leland, Judge of Probate & Leo Gruner, Shoe Dealer, both Ann Arbor. 22 Mar. 1909. Admitted 4 Oct. 1909.

29. ALBERT EDWARD BOWINS, Manchester Twp. P.O. Manchester, R.R. #4. Farmer b 18 Jan. 1872 Cayuga, Ontario , Canada. Em. Windsor 20 Dec. 1895 arr. Detroit on Car Ferry. Decl. 4 Mar. 1907 at CC of WC. Wife Lottie (Sutton) Bowins b Manchester Twp. One ch: Marie Elizabeth b 18 Feb. 1897 Manchester Twp. res. at home. Res. continuously in the U.S. since 20 Dec. 1895 and in the State of Mich. (same). Wits: Arthur J. Waters, Attorney & Fred M.? Freeman, ---, both Manchester. 29 Mar. 1909. Admitted 4 Oct. 1909.

30. PHILLIPP CERWINKA, Sharon Twp. P.O. Manchester, R.R. #5. Farmer b 24 Sep. 1857 Agenbash, Wuerttemberg. Em. Liverpool, England, 12 Feb. 1878 arr. New York on *Staten ?*. Decl. 1 Feb. 1906 at CC of WC. Wife Bena Molock b Sylvan Twp, WC. Three ch: Philip b 1 June 1887 Waterloo Twp. Jackson Co.; Bena b 31 Mar. 1889 Lyndon Twp.; Michael b about 30 Dec. 1897 Sharon Twp., all res. at home. Res. continuously in the U.S. since 28 Feb. 1878 and in the State of Mich. since 1 Mar. 1878. Wits: Edward Weiss, Rural Mail Carrier & Lena Foster, Deputy Co. Treasurer, both Chelsea. 1 Apr. 1909. Admitted 4 Oct. 1909.

(To be continued)

QUERIES AND REQUESTS

DIETERLE
RIDER
SCHLOSSER
WALL/
WOLL

George John Dieterle b 3 Mar 1833 GER d 25 Apr 1909 Howell Livingston Co MI. His wife was Catherine Woll b 7 Apr 1836 GER d 12 May 1925 Howell d/o Peter Woll & Mary Rider. Believe George & Catherine res Washt Co before moving to Livingston prior to 1900. They were marr ca 1861 (from 1900 cen). Fam history says Peter Woll b 1814 enlisted in the Civil War 1864 and died same year. True? Seek marr rec of George John & Catherine and wd like to know if either had sibs or pars in Washt. Woll also known as Wall.

Denise Schlosser, 23645 Arlene Ave., Elkhart, IN 46817

FARRELL
HABER

Patrick Farrell b 20 Apr 1819 IRL lvd Dexter Twp Washt Co. He d 26 Jun 1888 and may be bur in the old St. Joseph Cem. Sk names of his pars and sibs if any. This is my mother's family.

Paul F. Haber, 738 S. Lafayette, Dearborn, MI 48124

CULP
THAYER

Thayer Families Association is preparing to publish its twenty year collection of Thayer families. The compiler wishes to contact the unplaced families many who live in Michigan. All help appreciated. Copying and postage costs reimbursed.

Jackie Thayer Culp, 7225 S. Newport Way, Englewood, CO 80112-1615

DAVIS
SHEELY/
SHELEY
STEVENS
STRONG

Noah Sheley marr 1814 in Silver Creek Twp Greene Co OH Mildred Strong. He was the g-son of John Sheely/Sheley and Margaret Davis of the same locality. Noah came to MI after 1820 and inherited the Dutch Sheley fam Bible. Sk desc of Noah.

Shirley Cruzen Stevens # 126, 2636 Sequoia, Ann Arbor, MI 48103

COBB
POOLE
WARD
WOOD

Ira Edward Wood b 15 Apr 1856 Lodi Twp Washt Co bur Ann Arbor 22 Feb 1923. Elsada Almira Cobb b 28 Jun 1857 Lodi. Lyman S Wood d Jun 1885. Ira Ward d 27 Mar 1856 Lodi. Maria Scott Wood d 4 Jan 1892 Ann Arbor or Lodi. Lyman S Wood m Pamela I Ward 6 Oct 1841 Lodi. Sk proof of all of the above vit recs. Lyman S f/o Ira Edward Wood b 9 Apr 1819 Danbury Ct (proven).

Mrs. Lois T. Poole, 2280 Stockbridge Ave., Woodside, CA 94062

CALDWELL
HALLECK
HALLOCK

GSWC research comm found Capt. Daniel Murray Caldwell (1829-4 Jul 1885) and his wife Lucy (1842-1875) buried in Forest Hill Cemetery Ann Arbor. In the same plot are Dr. Nelson S Halleck (1806-1876); Sarah C his wife (1816-1892); William C Halleck a Union soldier (1842-1865). The name in Forest Hill is spelled Halleck, not Hallock. *See FHC vol 20. p 60.*

Mrs. Anne Caldwell (R.L.), 5907 Leeway Dr., Midland, MI 48640

BATES
McCRARY
WEBSTER

Oren/Orin/Orange Bates b 1803 d in Oakland Co MI 27 March 1878. His wife Polly b 1802 d in Oakland Co 18 Feb 1883. Both bur Mt. Avon Cem Rochester, Oakland Co. Orin & Polly bought land in Avon Twp Oakland Co in 1825. Their daughter Susan Bates married Alfonso Webster 27 Dec 1848 in Washington Twp Macomb Co MI. Sk pars, bpl and sibs of Oren. Are these Bates related to the Orrin J Bates or to Lester P Bates (both from Jackson) who served in the MI 4th Cavalry MI during the Civil War?

Marcia McCrary #664, 1679 LeForge Rd., Ypsilanti, MI 48198

BEEBE
CASE
MIDGLEY
SIEKMEIER

Miriam Beebe (my g-gm) b 17 Jan 1819 somewhere in NY res in Southfield Oakland Co MI m 23 Feb 1845 in West Bloomfield Oakland Co Jesse Case. They liv in West Bloomfield until moving to Bloomfield in 1862. In 1871 they bought land and mov to Gaines Twp Genesee Co MI. The land was bought from Constantine and Susan Beebe- poss Miriam's bro. Jesse & Miriam had 4 ch: Casper, Jennie Case Midgley (my gm), David (or Constantine), John. Jennie res Ann Arbor from 1888 until 1915. Miriam d 23 Mar 1873 and is bur in Fairview Cem Linden Oakland Co MI. Sk pars, bpl and sibs of Miriam. Also sk info on John Case, Miriam's youngest son. Did he have a fam? where did he live ?

Jessie Forshee Siekmeier # 521, 2680 Craig Rd., Ann Arbor, MI 48103

CHRISTIE
COWAN/
COWEN
FARRY/
FERRY
FORSHEE
HAVILAND
SIEKMEIER

Frances Ednor Cowen b 16 Oct 1838 in Superior Twp Washt Co MI d/o Patrick & Mary Farry/Ferry Cowen. Her father d in 1884 and she is mentioned to receive property in his will as Frances Ednor Christie living in Livingston Co MI. She was not mentioned as liv in her sister's (Mary Jane Cowen) obit in 1915. Her sibs were: James, Robert, Thomas, Louisa Ellen Cowen Haviland, Rosanna, Mary Jane, John, Virginia, Delphina Cowen Forshee (my gm), Roger. Sk all info on Frances esp husband's name, her ddt and bpl. Cowen sometimes written as Cowan.

Jessie Forshee Siekmeier #521

DICKERSON
MASTERSON

Edward Masterson (1705-1754) res Essex, Caroline, Prince William and Fairfax Cos, VA. Poss marr his wife Mary in Essex or Caroline. Sk all info esp pars bpl and marr of Edward and Mary. Will share info.

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IN MEMORIAM

BARBARA WEEKS BENTLEY

17 DECEMBER 1921 - 6 APRIL 1997

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